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Dear Health-Care Professional:

Prebooking for the 2006-2007 influenza season is coming soon!

Influenza vaccination is the primary method of preventing influenza and its severe complications. Prebooking your influenza vaccine is the best way to prepare for the upcoming 2006-2007 influenza season. Sanofi pasteur now offers four influenza vaccine product presentations for your convenience:

- Fluzone[®], Influenza Virus Vaccine: 5 mL vial
- Fluzone, Influenza Virus Vaccine, No Preservative: 0.5 mL prefilled syringe (36 months of age and older)
- Fluzone, Influenza Virus Vaccine, No Preservative: 0.5 mL unit-dose vial (36 months of age and older)
- Fluzone, Influenza Virus Vaccine, No Preservative: Pediatric Dose 0.25 mL prefilled syringe (6-35 months of age)

How to Prebook

To help you prepare for the upcoming influenza season, you may prebook Fluzone vaccine beginning **Tuesday, January 31, 2006 at 12:00 noon (EST)**. This year there are two methods to prebook.

- Log on to www.vaccineshoppe.com, where you can obtain a 2% savings (offer applies to on-line requests only)
- Call 1-800-VACCINE (1-800-822-2463)

All prebook requests will be processed with the same attention and care, whether the request is placed on-line or over the telephone. (Please note: Fax requests will not be accepted.)

You will receive confirmation of receipt of your request via e-mail or fax within 72 hours. Prior to shipping, you will receive notification of your request, the estimated time for shipment and the amount of vaccine to be provided in the shipment.

Due to the nature of producing Fluzone, Influenza Virus Vaccine, No Preservative: 0.5 mL prefilled syringe (36 months of age and older), this presentation may ship approximately 4-6 weeks later than other Fluzone vaccine presentations. However, this is still well within the Centers for Disease Control and Prevention (CDC) recommended guidelines for immunizing against influenza disease.

Terms and Conditions

Acceptance of prebook requests and all sales of Fluzone vaccine are subject to all of sanofi pasteur's Terms and Conditions of Sale in effect at the time of shipment. Copies of our Terms and Conditions of Sale are available upon request or at www.vaccineshoppe.com. Sanofi pasteur's commitment to prebook and/or ship doses is expressly conditioned upon there being adequate nationwide supplies of influenza vaccine and the Centers for Disease Control and Prevention (CDC) not having implemented preferential immunization or taken other steps to influence the distribution of vaccine supplies.

Safety Information

Fluzone vaccine is indicated in persons 6 months and older for active immunization against influenza virus types A and B contained in the vaccine. The most common local side effects are pain and swelling at the vaccination site that can last up to 2 days. Fever, malaise, myalgia, and other systemic reactions can occur. Influenza vaccine should not be administered to anyone with a history of hypersensitivity to any vaccine component, including eggs, egg products, or thimerosal (the only presentation that contains thimerosal is the multi-dose vial). As with any vaccine, vaccination with Fluzone vaccine may not protect 100% of individuals. Because intramuscular injection can cause injection site hematoma, Fluzone vaccine should not be given to persons with any bleeding disorder, such as hemophilia or thrombocytopenia, or to persons on anticoagulant therapy unless the potential benefit clearly outweighs the risk of administration. If the decision is made to administer Fluzone vaccine in such persons, it should be given with caution, with steps taken to avoid the risk of hematoma formation following injection.

Based on numerous customer requests and changing safety need requirements, the BD Luer-Lok[™] * syringe feature will continue to be available in the 2006-2007 season. **Needles are not provided. This allows each health-care provider to respond to local requirements or preferences.**

All Fluzone vaccines are indicated only for the selected influenza virus strains contained in the vaccine.

Sanofi pasteur hopes you will take advantage of the prebooking opportunity and prepare to protect those at risk from influenza complications throughout 2006 and 2007.

Sincerely,



Margaret Voytek
Director, Customer Account Management

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